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Day
School plans

BOTH the Governor, Sir Robert Black, and the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Claude Burgess, in their recent budget speeches touched on the problem of education. The problem, as officials readily admit, has been aggravated by the success of the seven-year primary school plan, for as more and more children have received a preparatory education the demand for secondary places has increased. Government has been aware of it from the start but having pledged to give every child in Hong Kong primary schooling first, it properly concentrated on this problem.

Now that the seven-year programme is on the verge of succeeding so handsomely, the Education Department's effort is to be switched to redress the balance in favour of secondary schools. Three types are planned—grammar, technical and secondary modern. The last is similar to the intermediate high school so popular in cities like Sydney where children can receive a commercial, technical, agricultural or domestic science education and be usefully trained for the office, factory, farm or home.

THE popularity of secondary moderns in Hong Kong may be enhanced by the introduction of an "intermediate certificate." These could be based on an exam conducted annually by the Department. But to be of real value to students and prospective employers the certificate must indicate a general standard of ability in a number of specified subjects.

It may be several years before Unofficial MLCs are able to feel as satisfied about the growth of secondary education as they are today of primary education. In the meantime some teachers feel that our primary schools, particularly those catering for children of poorer or working-class families, should aim to teach useful trades like carpentering, elementary electrical work, cobbling, dress-making and the like so that they can contribute something to the family income after leaving school.

TEACHERS point out that desirable as instruction in the "three Rs" may be, children with no chance of even a secondary modern education must be equipped for the workaday world. What they are suggesting is really a second stream of primary education. Now that the Department has conquered most, if not all its major problems in connection with its primary school plan, it might consider a refinement such as this.

It may also be timely to mention that in view of the growing shortage of servants in Hong Kong, a shortage which we believe will be chronic in the future, domestic science for girls will become increasingly important and necessary. It is to be hoped that due emphasis will be given this subject in planning the curriculum of secondary modern schools. While for boys the agricultural training scheme devised by Government, or a variation of it, might usefully be introduced in the farming areas of the New Territories.

Hearing of manslaughter case continues POLICE CONSTABLE IN BOX

Accused allegedly admitted an accident, he says

Marcel Noel Andre Fleming, accused of the manslaughter of Inspector Si Wai-ming, allegedly told a police constable that the reason he did not report an accident was that he thought that it was not serious.

Constable Wong Dik-chee, on mobile duty in Deep Water Bay Road on February 4, said that after a chase he had stopped Fleming's station wagon. Fleming later told him that he was drunk and that after the accident, he went home to sleep, thinking the accident was not serious.

Mr. Derek Cons at Central Court was told this today at the resumed committal proceedings against Fleming. He also faces four traffic charges. Police allege that on February 4, defendant's car struck down the inspector and his wife, killing the inspector and injuring Mrs. Si. Fleming is also alleged to be involved in two other accidents, one in Garden Road and the other in Pokfulam Road.

Refused to talk

Mr. M. Todd, Superintendent of Police, testified that he interviewed Fleming first in the Traffic Office and later in his own office, but that at both times, Fleming refused to talk and insisted on calling his solicitor.

Mr. Todd said that when he asked Fleming that as the registered owner of the car, he was bound under the Road Traffic Ordinance to name the driver of his car which was involved in a fatal accident on February 4, Fleming replied: "That was me. I am afraid. I'll say no more until my solicitor arrives."

Fleming was released on the assurance that he would not leave the Colony, Mr. Todd added.

Mr. W. S. W. Davidson, Crown Counsel, assisted by Chief Inspector C. Pope is appearing for the prosecution.

Mr. Harold Cairne, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, is representing Fleming.

Hearing continues this afternoon.

China incident compensation

London, Mar. 28. Mr. John Profumo, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said here today he hoped Britain and Japan were now nearer to a settlement of British claims for compensation arising out of the "China incident."

He told the House of Commons that progress had been made since Mr. Nobusuke Kishi, the Japanese Prime Minister, visited Britain last summer.

—Reuters.

Drug pedlar shown misery of addicts

A 57-year-old drug pedlar was ordered to go and see the drug addicts awaiting trial at Central Court yesterday.

When he returned, the magistrate, Mr. A. J. Sargent, told him: "That is what you bring on yourself and other people. I only hope you realize the misery you cause them."

The pedlar, Lee Lai-min, was then sentenced to six months for possessing a total of 43 packets of heroin salt and two years for offering the drugs for sale. The sentences were to run consecutively.

Mr. Sargent congratulated Sub-Inspector F. Kennedy

We are confident say Mac and Ike

Camp David, Mar. 28. President Eisenhower and Mr. Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, said in a joint statement here today:

"We are confident that out of our talks here will come agreement on how we proceed as partners in this all-important task of helping to bring a true and just peace to the world."

SAFEGUARD

Standing in the roadway outside the isolated cottage here where they will discuss the new Soviet nuclear test ban offer, the President, speaking for himself and Mr. Macmillan, said both were aware of the importance of arriving at a properly safeguarded agreement with the Soviet Union, on the suspension of nuclear tests.

The President and the Prime Minister flew together in a helicopter from Washington and prepared for two or three days of talks on nuclear test ban policy.

Both were cheerful as they arrived in front of Aspen Lodge, the President's cottage in this heavily-guarded Marine camp.

—Reuters.

Oslo, Mar. 28. Flags were flown at half mast all over Norway today in sympathy with the Africans killed in the South African riot last night bearing the words "Ambassade Du Crime" (Crime Embassy).—China Mail Special.

Big death toll in godown explosion

Glasgow, Mar. 28.

A whisky godown caught fire and blew up here tonight, burying at least 17 firemen under tons of blazing debris and liquor. Police said there was "no hope for the trapped men."

A huge tongue of flame leapt to the sky as the three-storey building split apart. Walls came crashing down and buried three fire engines.

The fire engines were completely smashed.

Other firemen dashed to safety up narrow streets as a loud warning rumble arose just before the explosion.

"Anybody in there could not possibly survive," said Fire Brigade Chief Martin Chadwick.

"There is no hope for the trapped men. We cannot get near them," he said.

Officials estimated that 55,000 gallons of whisky and over a £1 million worth of cigarettes were stored in the godown.

The flames licked across to a neighbouring ice cream factory and threatened

another godown on the other side of the street.

Residents in nearby houses fled with their families. Crewmen of ships tied up around the sprawling dockland were on deck hosing down their vessels.

The blaze was still unchecked three hours after it started.

Every available fire engine in Glasgow was at the blaze and reinforcements were called in from surrounding areas.

Several priests arrived to comfort weeping relatives of missing men.

Then came a second violent explosion. Debris and flame shot hundreds of feet into the air. Thick smoke drifted over the city.

A policeman said some of the trapped firemen had just arrived at the blaze when the walls blew out.—AP.

Royalty stuck in lift

London, Mar. 28. The Duke of Edinburgh, the Duchess of Kent and Princess Alexandra were stuck in a Buckingham Palace lift tonight for about 17 minutes.

The Duke gave this explanation to Lord Rank, British film magnate, when the three arrived 10 minutes late for the Royal film performance, "The Last Angry Man," at a cinema only five minutes drive from the Palace.

They had dined with Queen Elizabeth at the Palace before the lift incident.—Reuters.

21 KILLED IN IRAQ CLASH

Cairo, Mar. 28. The newspaper Al-Ahram said today that 21 people were killed, more than 20 wounded and at least 38 arrested in clashes between demonstrators against Premier Kassem and army troops last Monday.

Anti-Kassem demonstrators surged through the streets of Baghdad shouting anti-government slogans, the newspaper added.

The newspaper quoted Peoples Court President Colonel Fadhl Abbas Al-Mohdawi as saying: "The serpents have risen again." UPI.

I saw it on TV Boy, 9, admits knifing girl to death

London, Mar. 28.

A nine-year-old boy, who has admitted knifing to death a nine-year-old girl, Iris Dawkins, told a Juvenile Court today that he watched "all the murders" on the television screen, adding "I like the way they track them down and question them."

The body of Iris was found on the night of her death last February 20 in a park where she had gone to play during the afternoon with her little brother and a group of friends.

There were 39 knife wounds, of which eight were in the region of the heart and 18 in the back. These were inflicted after death, doctors said.

GOT EXCITED

The boy whose name has not been revealed, told the judges of the Southampton court "I got excited and stuck it (the knife) into her and then I got frightened. I have watched snatching on TV and next week you see them in another part." Apparently unaware of the horror of his crime the little boy explained how he committed the murder, "When she fell over, I fell on top of her and I think the knife went into her shoulder, only a little though."

"I might have stuck it into her more than once. I cannot remember now," he said.

SUSPICIONS

The suspicions of the police were aroused when the boy told investigators last February 20, during questioning that he had seen another boy, dressed exactly like him, chase Iris as she ran towards home.

He finally admitted the crime last March 8, he told police however that he thought the girl was playing and that she was lying down with her eyes open and was breathing. He said he had said goodbye to her and left.

The verdict will be handed down today or tomorrow and it was expected that the child too young to be held legally responsible would be confined to a home for children.—AP.

Drussels, Mar. 28. Police were today making inquiries about a placard posted on the front door of the South African Embassy here during Monday.—China Mail Special.

Gave blood then got it back

Heidelberg, Mar. 28.

U.S. Army Pfc. Louis Dyer donated a pint of blood to the U.S. army a few weeks ago. Today he got it back.

Doctors said Dyer received a transfusion at the 130th station hospital here after an accident.

"Dyer's blood was the next scheduled to be used by the bank—and Dyer turned out to be the next patient," said Major L. P. Child, chief of the hospital's laboratory service. "I suspect the odds on this are about a million to one."—AP.

3 women remanded

Three women accused of dealing in and possessing dangerous drugs, were remanded in custody to appear on April 9, by Mr. K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning.

They are Mak Ying, 40, of 23 McGregor Street, ground floor, Wong Ying, 41, 9A Cross Street, 2nd floor, and Choi Kam-yung, 15, 23 McGregor Street, ground floor.

It is alleged they dealt in heroin and were in possession of 1½ ounces of heroin and 8½ ounces of barbitone, at 9A Cross Street, 3rd floor, on March 24. No pleas were taken.

NEW VIOLENCE ERUPTS IN SOUTH AFRICA

Capetown, Mar. 28.

Violence erupted in the heart of Capetown tonight and police used batons and tear gas against a crowd of Africans stoning buses and cars. Police fired warning shots in the air as about 1,000 Africans demonstrated.

A number of casualties were reported but full details were not immediately available.

There were also disturbances in three African townships near Johannesburg. At least one African policeman was reported killed and several injured. Municipal staffs were evacuated from all three townships which lie about 15 miles southwest of Johannesburg. Beerhalls were burned down and trains and cars stoned.

up an unruly crowd of about 1,000 Africans and coloureds (mixed races) in the heart of Capetown tonight.

Police fired warning shots in the air in a bid to disperse the crowd which stoned passing buses and cars.

The third township involved was Meadowlands where another crowd attacked a police station.

At Orlando township, also west of Johannesburg, Pan-Africanists were reported to have stoned Africans who had returned by train from work in Johannesburg.

Evacuated

Both white and non-white municipal staffs were evacuated from the three African townships of Moroko, Meadowlands and Dube.

Mr. W. J. P. Carr, Manager of the non-European Affairs Department for Johannesburg, said tonight there had been serious outbreaks of violence in many parts of the southwestern African areas, where half a million people live.

The entire staff of his department had been evacuated from the areas.

He confirmed that the Dutch Reformed Mission Church at Dube township had been destroyed by fire, also an office at Orlando West.

He said there had been serious rioting at Meadowlands and attempts had been made to set fire to a hall at Orlando West.

Stone-throwing crowds blocked the main road to Meadowlands from the south and Africans set up roadblocks at many points.—Reuters.

Trouble in Nyasaland

Zomba, Mar. 28.

A crowd of 200 Africans armed with spears and axes was dispersed by a platoon of police using tear gas at Chikoti village, near Fort Manning in the central province of Nyasaland, today.

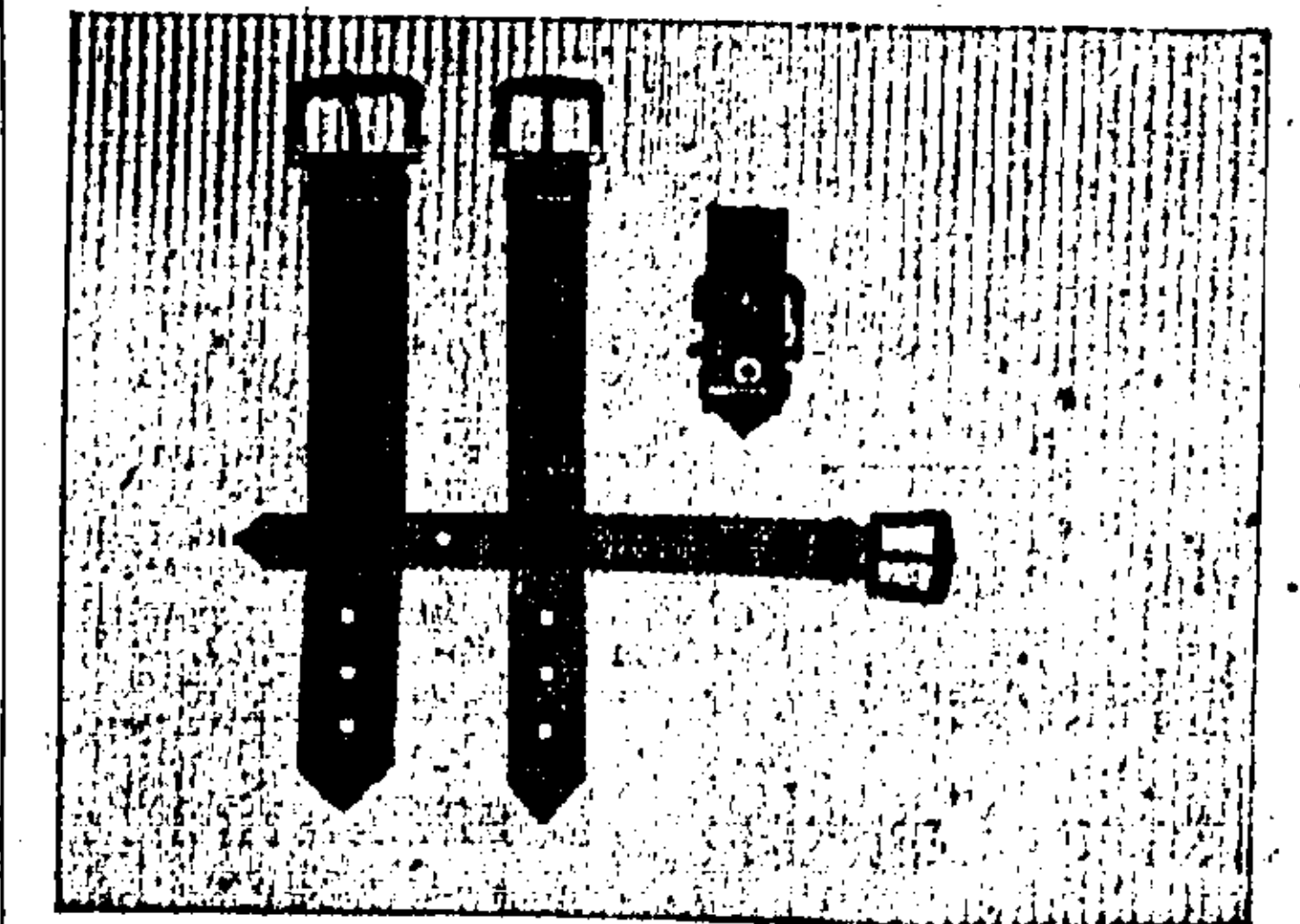
A platoon of Northern Rhodesia police, which crossed into the protectorate from Fort Jameson last week, was reported to be standing by in the area.—Reuters.

A new flare-up came a few hours after the South African parliament gave a first reading to a bill authorizing the banning of the two main African nationalist groups.

Church burned

A crowd attacked a police station at Moroko township and at adjacent Dube township police reported the Dutch Reformed Mission Church was burned down.

Police used tear gas and made baton charges to break



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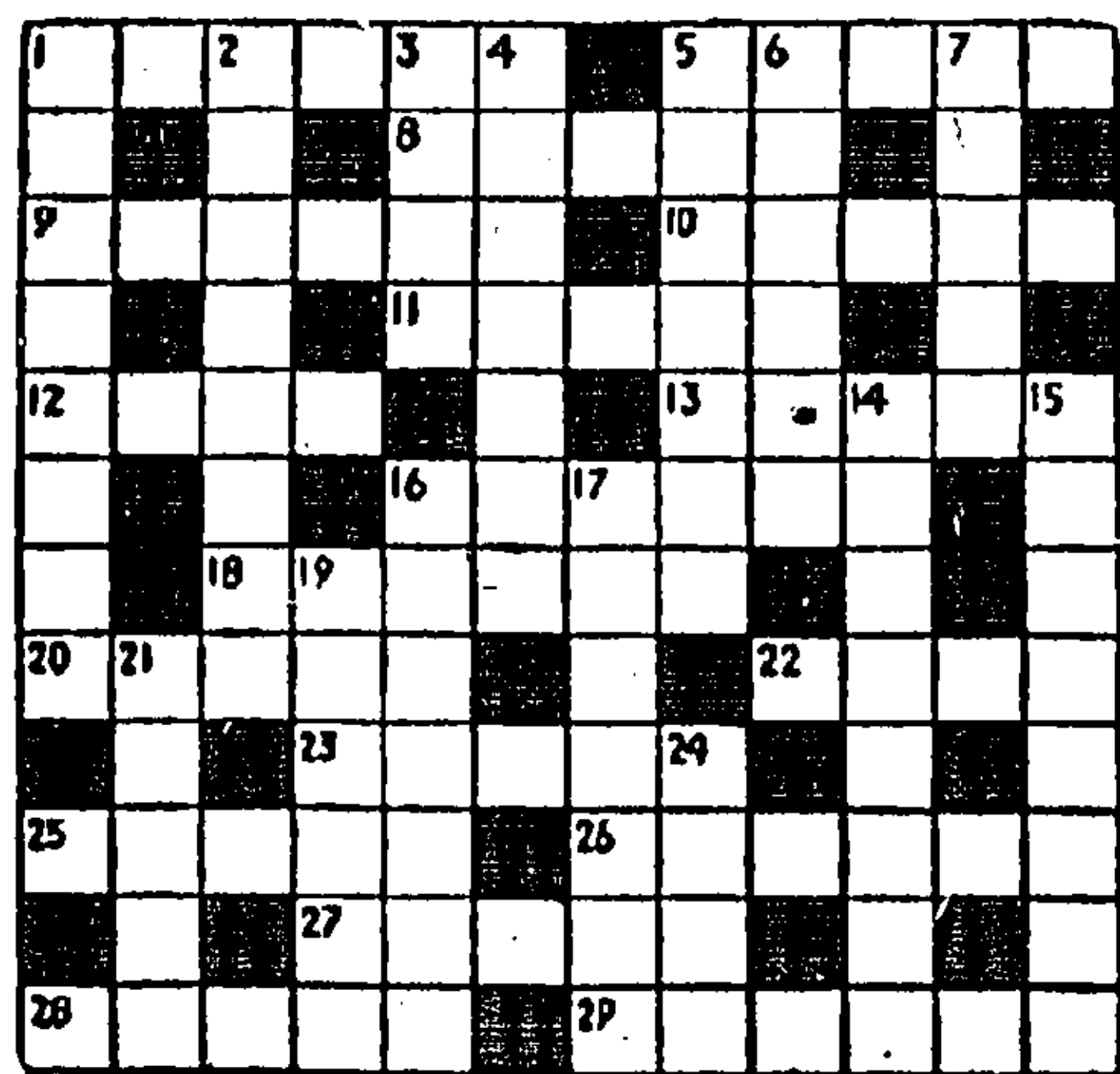
Protest on fox hunting

London, Mar. 28. The League against Cruel Sports today recorded its "disgust" at Queen Elizabeth's annual subscription to the West Norfolk foxhounds.

In its annual report for 1959 issued today, the League also criticised the Queen for continuing to patronise the Royal Foxhound show. The League staged demonstrations at Liverpool and nearby Aintree racecourse on Saturday to protest against the running of the Grand National Steeplechase.

The report said that during 1959 the League was able to "intensify the campaign against the detestable amusement of fox hunting."

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Beam over-head (6).
 - Real Tarran? (5).
 - In the vicinity (5).
 - Gilt-wire (6).
 - Sparrow's victim (5).
 - Peel off (5).
 - Miss equivalent (4).
 - Godness of cereals — and no beginner (5).
 - State of India (6).
 - Fellow on watch (6).
 - Spine-chilling (5).
 - Painful swelling (4).
 - Mainly incautious rubbish (5).
 - Civies (5).
 - Material of initial glanour (6).
 - Full of enthusiasm (5).
 - Get to know (5).
 - Felt (6).
- DOWN**
- Fellow lodger (4, 4).
 - Uncongenious spirit, perhaps (8).
 - Cloth measures (4).
 - The daily round? (7).
 - French bean (7).
 - Runaway fiancée? (6).
 - Nimble, the time being about one fifty (5).
 - On edge (8).
 - Hidden from view, like a film star (8).
 - Spanish or Portuguese (7).
 - Pats on (7).
 - Unlucky youngsters (6).
 - Latex will, from a rubber tree (5).
 - Greyhound's quarry (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Ernest, 5 First, 8 Beau, 9 Chaste, 11 Raged, 12 Hatten, 14 Dome, 16 Crave, 18 Frate, 19 Peer, 20 Inroad, 24 Alert, 25 Milord, 26 Emil, 27 Rased, 28 Tyrant. Down: 1 Etch, 2 Noah, 3 Sets, 4 Tsetse, 5 Furnace, 6 Regular, 7 Tiddler, 10 Sabot, 13 Operate, 14 Daggers, 15 Merited, 17 Regal, 19 Permit, 21 Oily, 22 Dors, 23 Edit.

New crack in Brazilian dam threatens fresh floods

Rio De Janeiro, Mar. 28. The pressure of thousands of tons of water opened a fresh crack today in a dam which started giving way on Saturday.

An estimated 100,000 people fled to high ground to escape swirling flood waters in the disaster area which included eight communities with a total population of 272,000. Many small villages had completely disappeared under water except for Church steeples or the upper floors of a few tall modern apartment buildings.

The entire 40,000 inhabitants of Linsolro City, which was under water, were evacuated. Although it was still impossible to estimate the number of victims, it was clear that many of the inhabitants were unable to escape in time.

Pilots flying over the devastated regions today reported seeing boats floating on the surface of the flood released by the new crumbling of the dam.

Despite appeals made by radio, plane and helicopter, many refused to be evacuated in time. The military authorities put 100,000 as the number of those who fled into the hills at the flood's first approach.

Today the dam was still in place, despite the new breach about 200 yards long in its face.

This dashed the hopes of engineers who had hoped to save at least half the structure.—AP.

KHRUSHCHEV ARRIVES—BUT THE MAYOR WAS ABSENT

Dijon, Mar. 28. Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev received a friendly, and sometimes enthusiastic, welcome from conservative Dijon today although his coming has stirred ancient church-state arguments.

Through the streets as he rolled toward the centre of the town of 112,000, polite crowds lined the way and gave the waving Soviet Premier a few cheers and occasional applause. There were no flags or banners in the crowds.

In front of the City Hall, however, several thousand people were massed and they cheered wildly and were well supplied with Soviet flags and banners praising Khrushchev, peace and French-Soviet friendship.

CHURCH ORDERS

Within the City Hall, Khrushchev was taken under the wing of five Assistant Mayors sharing the greeting while Dijon's Mayor Felix Kir, a Catholic canon, was pointedly absent on the orders of church authorities.

The canon had eagerly wanted to greet Khrushchev as a step toward trying to ease the cold war but church authorities have strongly said "no" and the case has received wide publicity in France.

Greeting Khrushchev in the City Hall, Assistant Mayor Felix Veillet, said:

"I cannot take the place of Canon Kir but I welcome you."

Khrushchev replied that the canon was "a great pastor who had outlined the peace aims of France and showed himself to be taking the same route as ourselves in search of peace."

Meanwhile, the canon himself remained out of sight, and city officials would not say where he was.—AP.

Victim of gangland slaying

Chicago, Mar. 28. The nude body of a man was found stuffed in a sewer today and Mrs. Arthur Adler said the man looked like her husband, a former nightclub owner, who vanished on January 20.

Workers making a routine inspection of the sewer discovered the body. Police said the man had been dead about two months.

Adler, 40, a one-time witness before a grand jury investigating alleged hoodlum infiltration into the Chicago restaurant and nightclub business, disappeared shortly after leaving his office. His car was found nearby.

At that time Mrs. Adler said she believed her missing husband was a victim of a gangland slaying.—AP.

Gets life sentence

Cardiff, Mar. 28. Evan George Carter, a 29-year-old asbestos worker, was today sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his wife, Ruby.

Carter reported the discovery of his wife's body when he returned home from work on January 2. His six-year-old son Alag was found badly injured near his mother's body at the same time.

Carter pleaded not guilty.—Reuter.

WORLD EXPERTS BLAME SMOKING

Geneva, Mar. 28. All available evidence points to the fact that cigarette smoking is a major cause of lung cancer.

A study group of the World Health Organisation said this in a report published today. The group—made up of nine experts from Japan, Britain, Finland, France, Norway and the U.S.A.—was convened at the end of last year to study "epidemiology of cancer of the lung."

In the section dealing with the effect of cigarette smoking on lung cancer, the report said "a number of official, voluntary and other scientific bodies have reviewed the evidence bearing on this association. The study group unanimously agreed that there was no reason to modify the conclusions reached by these experts that the main total of the evidence available today was most reasonably interpreted as indicating that cigarette smoking is a major causative factor in the increasing incidence of human carcinoma (cancer) of the lung."

NO SERIOUS DOUBT

While recognising that this conclusion had not been accepted by all who have studied or written on the subject, the report said that no criticism had been raised that could be considered as casting any serious doubt on the evidence associating cigarette smoking with lung cancer.

In Washington, President Eisenhower, noting that cancer takes the lives of 250,000 Americans each year, today proclaimed April as "Cancer Control Month." He called on the medical and health professions and publicists to unite in a nationwide effort to fight the disease.—Reuter.

Nye breaks a 3-month silence

London, Mar. 28. Mr. Aneurin Bevan, deputy leader of the Labour Party today broke his three months of silence since the severe operation that took him out of politics.

Gaunt-faced and old-looking, Mr. Bevan announced in his first interview since the operation that he is not going to



MR BEVAN

return to politics until he is pronounced fully fit.

"How long that will take, I do not know," said the 62-year-old politician.

"I have lost well over a stone in weight," he told the British Press Association in an interview.

Mr. Bevan, recuperating at his farm at Ashridge, near Chesham, refused to talk politics.

SEASIDE VACATION

He said he will soon be taking off for a seaside vacation.

Mr. Bevan said he was anxious to express his gratitude for his treatment at the Royal Free Hospital in London, and for the many letters of sympathy sent by well-wishers all over the world.

He had received hundreds more from people who were quite unknown to him.

Miss Jennie Lee, Mr. Bevan's wife, commented, "It was a most moving experience. All the letters were read even though he was not able to do so at the time they came."

"I found that there was a huge section from people thanking Nye for the Health Service."

Miss Lee is also a leading member of the Labour Party. As Minister of Health in the 1945 Labour Government Mr. Bevan was the author of the National Health scheme under which every Briton is entitled to free medical treatment.

READING

Referring to his reading during convalescence, he said he had not been reading political biographies.

He went on, "I understand that Mr. Macmillan (the Prime Minister) reads political biographies. I have never been able to achieve that credibility."

"My experience of public life has taught me to know that most of them are entirely unreliable. I would rather take my fiction straight."

He had a similar comment on the Press: "I read the newspapers avidly. It is my one form of continuous fiction."

Miss Lee added that offers to lend them country homes for convalescence had come from all types of people, including many they did not know. The offers ranged "from caravans to castles."—AP and Reuter.

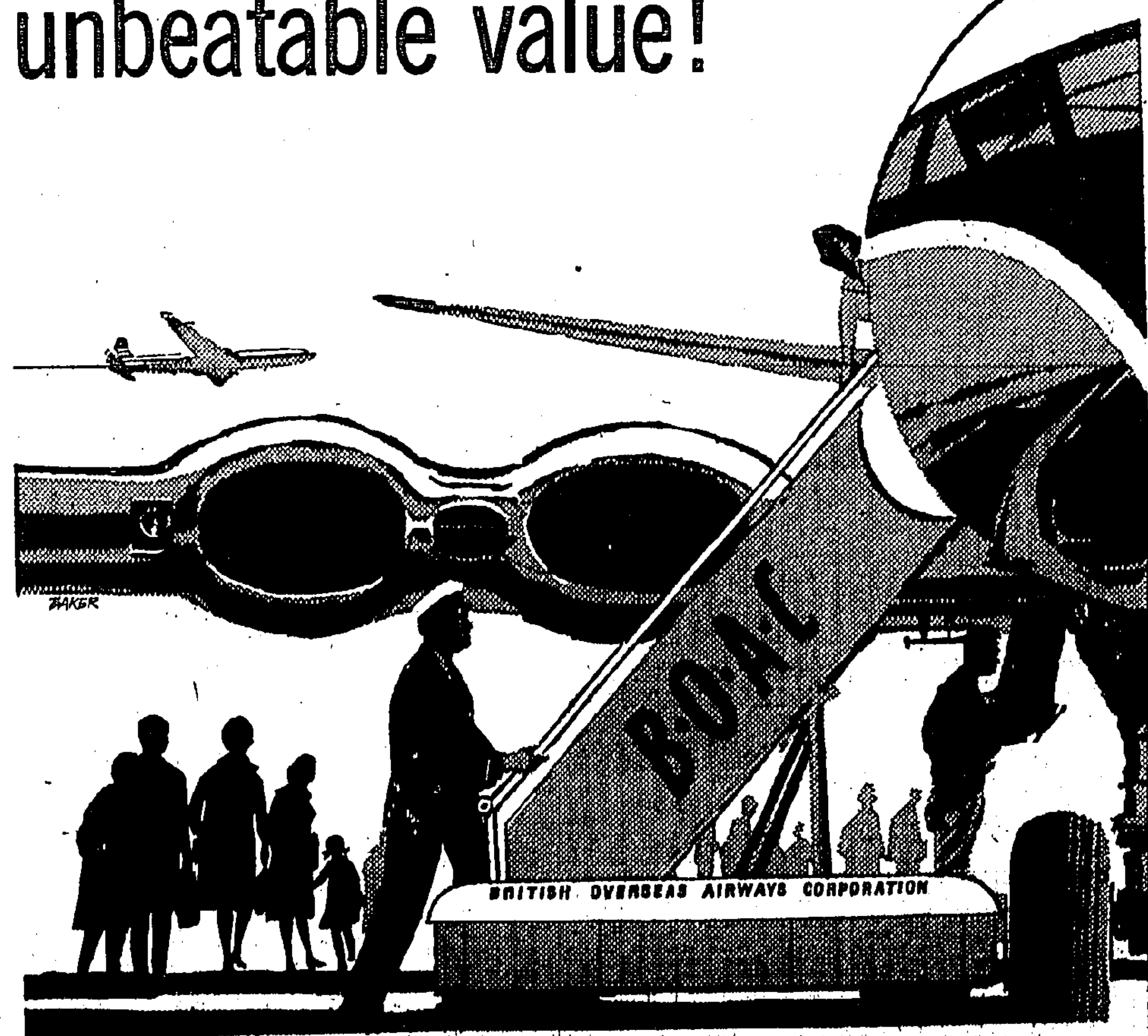
Cargo ship reported sunk

Karachi, Mar. 28. A cargo ship identified as the 650-ton Dal Hatin was reported sunk today in heavy seas off the coast of Pakistan.

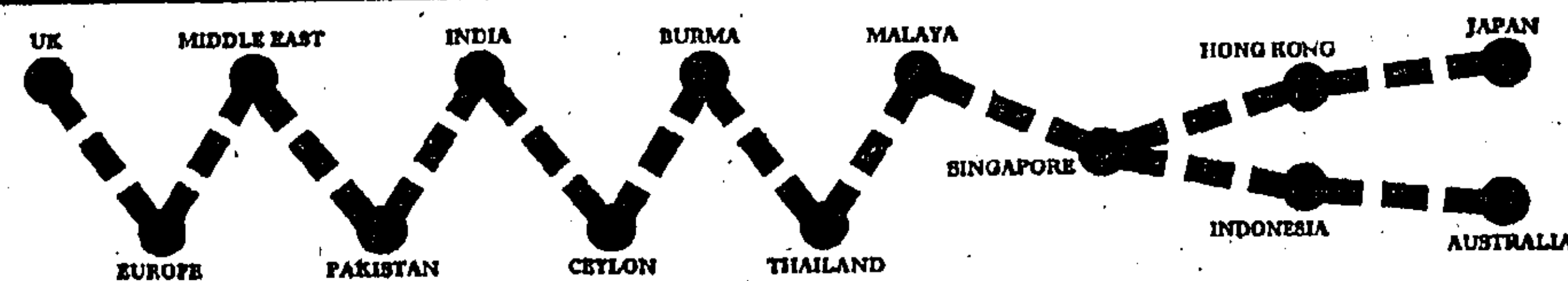
Reports here said two survivors among the ship's crew of 12 have been picked up so far. The Dal Hatin left Karachi last night for Colombo with a cargo of dried fish.—AP.

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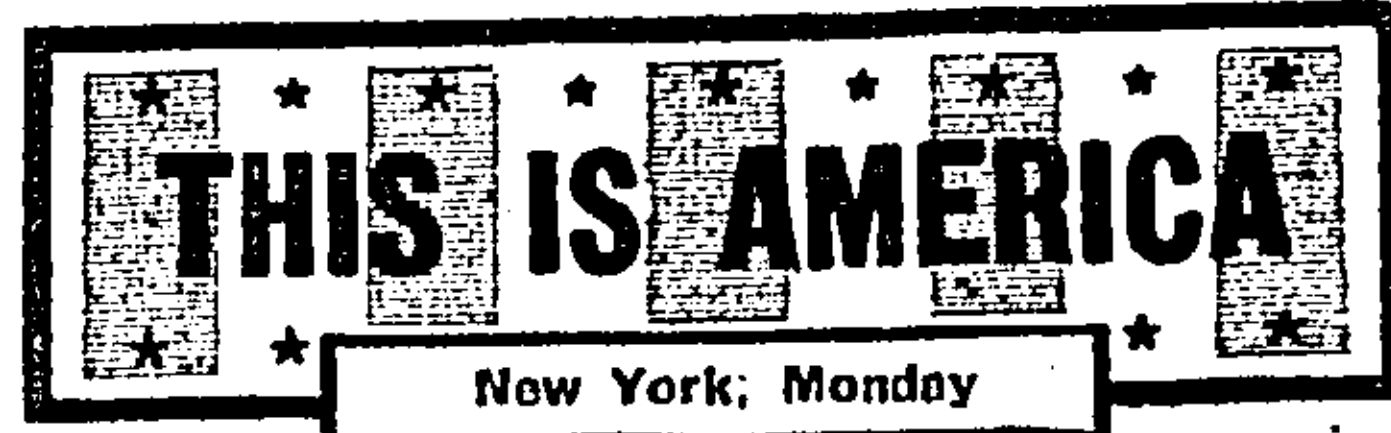
He has been driving for 12 hours, but he is full of confidence. He thinks he can make it.

Then comes the crash. When the injured or dead are taken to hospital, a handful of white-tablets is found in the lorry-driver's pocket. The doctor shakes his head. It's another foolish truck-driver driving on "bennies."

"Benny" is American slang for benzedrine — by far the most popular of the several amphetamine-type pep-pills marketed here — and the U.S. drug industry turns out 3,500 million amphetamine tablets a year.

They are all on the restricted list. But millions of tablets find their way on to the black market, and the sale among long-distance lorry drivers has reached frightening proportions.

Tired, sleepless, the lorry driver pulls up at a roadside



determined by the number of tote-bets placed on the third, fifth, and seventh races at a specific race-track (at this time of the year it is in Florida). If these three numbers end in nine, five, and one, in that order, then—bingo!—you're the lucky man.

Nobody knows how many Police operators there are in New York—the number is enormous, the profits are huge. Among the best-known beneficiaries are the police, who are

department at hours when no other company workers were present and altered punched cards fed to the computer.

A POSTMAN once with the may life in the world, 91-year-old Wilbur Lancy, died in Detroit after a fall on an escalator. Lancy rode with the Pony Express in the Dakotas—back in the days when fierce, zipping Indians rode down on the mail-coach from the hills.

AFTER that skirmish with the world of gastronomy, you may like to know what the ordinary New York housewife pays for food at her local supermarket. Some prices per lb.: Cod steaks, 4s. 2d.; liver, 3s. 4d.; beef sausages, 4s. 9d.

ACCUSED of driving at 45 in a 35 miles an hour zone, motorist Ben E. Fenwick told a California judge: "But, your honour, my car won't do 46 miles an hour." The judge took a spin in Ben's car then came back into court and acquitted him. "You're right, it won't," he said.

EXPECT more U.S. tourists than ever this year. London will get about 350,000. Paris, still the favourite, awaits 450,000. And about 100,000 holidaymakers are going off in the opposite direction—touring the now fashionable Far East.

MODEL Colette Barrett admitted that she lied about the details when she told Miami Beach police that her car was missing—wearing a diamond choker and gold teeth worth 10,000 dollars (\$23,370). "But how else," she asked, "could I get five squad cars to look for poor little Irwin?" Ten policemen who raced to her aid found Irwin at the top of a palm tree—wearing a cheap collar.

LOOKING just like the man you have seen in the movies (he is), Brigadier-General James Stewart reported to the Pentagon in Washington recently for two weeks' active service with the U.S. Air Force.

His review training films—including the one he made himself—and study Air Force public relations techniques.

The gangling, greying film actor was made Reserve Brigadier-General last year. He has been married twice, but lost both husbands. It seems Ken loved Lucille all along. For, at 43, they remarried the other day.

TO PROVIDE something for all the family, TV pictures in a Detroit programme are split into three. Left: news flashes. Centre: weather. Right: animated cartoon for the kids. Drive you crazy, wouldn't it?

A NEW LAW will crack down on "the drinking driver in New York State. There is a difference between this and drunk driving, a crime punishable by jail. The new measures creates a lesser offence — "driving while ability is impaired by the consumption of alcohol."

If chemical tests show 0.10 per cent alcohol in the bloodstream, then the driver rates as a "drinking driver" and he will lose his licence for 90 days. If the alcohol concentration is 0.15 or more then he is rated as drunk under the existing law. How many drinks make a "drinking driver"? Anything between four and nine whiskeys, say the experts, depending on his weight and how recently he ate.

Riviera beauty queen quits to join the army

THAT'S THE LIFE, SHE SAYS

MONA SAMY wanted to be a beauty queen. She entered contests, and last year became Miss Cote d'Azur. With her Riviera title went film tests.

But 18-year-old Miss Samy is disillusioned. She is sailing home in a few days' time to spend two

years in the Israeli Army—like the girls below.

She says: "This year of artificial living has given me all I want of it. I want to go home, and learn to defend it. Then I will marry a nice Israeli boy and have lots of children."—London Express Service.



Mona Samy—no swim suit on the barrack square.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

APPLYING his methodical mind to the campaign against noise, Charlie Suet has drawn up a draft memorandum.

His principal suggestion is that a special corps of mobile anti-noise police should be formed in every big town. They would ride about on motor-cycles equipped with loudspeakers, which would shout anti-noise slogans at five-second intervals. In the case of duels (fought with the weapon of noise) between these police and loud-speaker vans advertising muck or making unimportant announcements, police cars would issue warnings by means of superloudspeakers.

Oili-el-Raskal will be there. WHAT is described as a "get-together of big oil-men" will be incomplete without our old friends the Top of Kikiz-toothin the Khur of Khashdoun and Getaweh, the local rulers of Notubli-Sneezlat, Damselch, Dileueva and Solikim, and three Tubmen of Rub-ut-Dubdub.

A pleasant hobby. ALL you need to make your own boiler is a hydraulic press, some geared rollers, a shearing plate, a riveter, a disher, and a good supply of plates, brass, tubes, shays,

gussets, mountings, lagging sheets, and motive bands. Nobody will be more surprised than you when the finished article, coukled and welded, lies before you. That is the moment to select the best position for it. Nothing to do with me.

THE snow ordered from a Scottish firm for a ski-run in Berkeley turned out to be tinned carrots. It is mistakes like this which rise entering from a commercial enterprise to a fine art. To sell the wrong things to the right people is just as much fun as selling the right things to the wrong people. And that goes for the Finchley grocer who ordered sugar and was sent bags of sand by a wholesaler who owns a sand quarry. Need I say more? No. Very well. As you wish. Leave your hat with the attendant, and stop fussing.

Good news. A NEW car "capable of a little over 130 miles an hour" seems to be exactly what is needed at the present time. "From standstill to a hundred miles an hour takes about 20 seconds," continues the account. "You can take off like a rocket, and smell the blue smoke that goes up from the back tyres...this is not a racing or even a sports car."

—(London Express Service).

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RADIO HONGKONG

6.30 p.m. (120 m. 550 k.c.) The Very Young, compiled by Mavis; 6.40, Listen and Teach—Learning Practice and Drill by F. G. French; 6.45, Edmund Ross and his Orchestra; 6.50, The Archers; 6.55, From the Westies; 7.00, Lucky Dip—presented by Mary; 7.10, Weather; 7.15, Signal News; 7.20, Commentary; 7.25, Lie with the Lyons—this was Your Will; 7.30, Letter from America; 7.35, Commentary; 7.40, PAUL's Team Championship—Commentaries by Ted Thomas, summaries by Michael Hudson from the McPherson Stadium; 7.45, Recitals from the Orchestra—Orchestra; 7.50, News; 7.55, Famous Artists—Norma (Helsinki-Japan); 8.00, Weather; 8.05, Time Signal; 8.10, News from Britain; 8.15, News from the U.S.; 8.20, News; 8.25, News; 8.30, News; 8.35, News; 8.40, News; 8.45, News; 8.50, News; 8.55, News; 9.00, News; 9.05, News; 9.10, News; 9.15, News; 9.20, News; 9.25, News; 9.30, News; 9.35, News; 9.40, News; 9.45, News; 9.50, News; 9.55, News; 10.00, News; 10.05, News; 10.10, News; 10.15, News; 10.20, News; 10.25, News; 10.30, News; 10.35, News; 10.40, News; 10.45, News; 10.50, News; 10.55, News; 11.00, News; 11.05, News; 11.10, News; 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TEIBI WAS GREEN WITH ENVY

But his brother saw red

Port Moresby, Mar. 28.
Tarego Kanbo's garden in the village of Pai in New Guinea's Southern Highlands was the envy of his neighbours.

Vegetables grew no bigger and no greener than they did for Tarego.

So when one day his brother's pigs broke down his garden fence and rooted up all his plants, Tarego saw red.

When it was all over brother Teibi was dead and Tarego was in jail.

The story of Tarego's garden and Teibi's pigs was told in the Supreme Court at Hani, north-west of Port Moresby.

Murder charge

Tarego appeared before Mr Justice Gore charged with murdering Teibi.

He pleaded not guilty.

Police evidence said the incident began when Tarego found Teibi's pigs wallowing in his garden.

Incensed, he shouted to Teibi to get them out.

Then Tarego rounded up the pigs and drove them into Teibi's garden.

Not satisfied that they were doing enough damage he began wrangling down Teibi's plants himself.

Witnesses said Teibi, shouting that he was not to blame, grabbed a stick and cracked Tarego over the head.

Tarego told the court: "He hit me four times and I thought I was dying."

"I called out for him to stop but he kept hitting me so I hit him with my tomahawk."

Police said Teibi died three days later of a fractured skull.

Great force

Mr Justice Gore said evidence had shown that Teibi had used great force when he struck Tarego.

Tarego had retaliated with some justification.

He found Tarego guilty of manslaughter and jailed him for six months.—China Mail Special.

Valuable gift to Norway

Oslo, Mar. 28.
The Norwegian Ethnographic Museum has received a Sami (Lapp) necklace estimated to be about 800 years old as a gift from Mr H. S. H. Guinness, a London bank director.

The chain was described by Professor Gjerding of Oslo University as "unique in Scandinavia."

It was obtained by Mr Guinness from a representative of the family of the late Sir Arthur de Capell Brooke who got it from the Russian Consul in Hammerfest in 1920 and described it in his book "A Winter in Lapland and Sweden."—China Mail Special.

Lost days

London, Mar. 28.
Five and a quarter million working days were lost in Britain through strikes in 1959, Mr Edward Heath, Minister of Labour, told the House of Commons today.—Reuters.

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Winston—leader of dunces proved himself

London, Mar. 28.
Sir Winston Churchill, "Leader of the Dunces," has shown that dunces should not be bullied and harried while at school, according to a Liberal peer, Lord Esher.

Some of Britain's dunces had done great things, he told the House of Lords during a debate on education.

Sir Winston was bottom of his class at Harrow, he said. W. B. Yeats, the poet, could not learn to read, and Charles Darwin, the biologist, was the despair of his parents.

He went on: "My heart leapt when I opened the life of Sir Winston Churchill and read the first chapter heading: 'The Backward Boy.'"

"He was our great leader, the wader of the world, he proved they should not be bullied, harried and frustrated as they are in these days."

Conventional schoolmasters, "wedded to their wretched

curricula," thought that dunces were lowbrow. The present generation was "hard-riden with examinations." He protested particularly at one at the age of 11 which decides whether children at state schools shall follow an academic career or not.

He urged the Ministry of Education to follow the example of Eton, England's most exclusive school where the entrance examination was only used for grading purposes.

"These you can develop in that free society, a microcosm of the world, your character and your natural intelligence," he said.

"The time is ripe to give the nation at large these civilised privileges, for it is only by the correct development of education that we can solve these problems of leisure and delinquency."—China Mail Special.

NO ORDINARY TICKER

Edinburgh, Mar. 28.
A 27-year-old stockbroker's clerk, whose heart ticks out loud, today announced he hopes to marry soon.

Princess and Tony visit club

London, Mar. 28.
Princess Margaret and her fiancé, Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones, paid an informal visit today to the Victoria League Students' Club, which houses about 60 Commonwealth students.

The Princess, who is President of the Young Contingent of the League, has paid previous visits to similar hostels in the past, but the real surprise today was the appearance of Mr Armstrong-Jones.

He found himself surrounded by the students, all of them girls, trying to shake his hand. Most of them succeeded.

CHARMING

A Nigerian law student, Miss Josephine Imora, said: "I think he is absolutely charming. He was so natural and homely that I did not feel a bit nervous."

Miss Nadini Beharry, 19, of British Guiana, presented a bouquet of red roses and lilies of the valley to Princess Margaret.

The couple remained for about three-quarters of an hour and had a drink with the girls in the lounge.—China Mail Special.

Used to it

His family has become used to it except when there's an exciting play on TV. "When we have to tell him to hold his breath," says his sister, "the ticking is deafening."

Allen also has difficult moments when he goes to the films, and people around him start looking for the hidden clock.

But he refused doctor's suggestion to replace his ticking valve with a new American silent type. "Not on your life," he said. "Without this 'ticker,' I'd just be a nobody again."

China Mail Special.

Diplomatic immunity poses police problem

Canberra, Mar. 28.
A car accident in which the wife of a member of the staff of the Soviet Embassy was killed in Canberra yesterday has faced the police and Australian protocol experts with an unusual problem.

The coroner is unlikely to be able to hold an inquiry.

All those who were in the station wagon involved in the smash are members of the Soviet Embassy staff or relatives.

As such they are protected by diplomatic immunity, and cannot be compelled to take part in an Australian coronial inquiry, unless they do so voluntarily.

The only facts on which the coroner could take evidence would be statements by police ambulance officials summoned to the smash or eye witness accounts from Australians.

Mrs V. D. Frolov was killed when the car, driven by her husband, a second secretary at the Embassy, overturned on their way to a picnic.—China Mail Special.

Silver sale

London, Mar. 28.
A record total for a silver sale—£270,500 at a sale of old English silver—is claimed by Sotheby's, the London auctioneers.

The highest price paid for a single piece was £2,500 for a silver-gilt and mother of pearl cup and cover made in 1590.—China Mail Special.

Egg meant for Bacon

London, Mar. 28.

Lord Goddard, former Lord Chief Justice, amused the House of Lords by telling of the time when he was a target for tomatoes in the Court of Appeal.

A litigant, dissatisfied with a ruling, went outside, bought some tomatoes and aimed them at the Judge's Bench.

"But he missed, which was fortunate, because they were ripe tomatoes," Lord Goddard commented.

One tomato went through a door and fell at the feet of a judge who had nothing to do with the case but who said: "It is raining tomatoes."

Another anecdote which amused the Peers was told by Lord Stmonds, a former Lord Chancellor.

DISSATISFIED

It was in the days when there were two vice-chancellors of the Court of Chancery, one named Mallins and the other Bacon.

A dissatisfied litigant threw an egg which struck Vice-Chancellor Mallins but incurred no greater wrath than the comment: "That must have been meant for my brother Bacon."

The House of Lords was discussing a bill to amend the law of contempt of court aimed among other things, at giving newspaper editors slightly increased protection from contempt of court proceedings.—China Mail Special.

Violation of God's law

Melbourne, Mar. 28.

A Jehovah's Witness, at his manslaughter trial here today, said he had refused to allow blood transfusions to be given to his dying two-day-old son for two reasons.

One was because of his conscientious religious belief that it was a direct violation of Almighty God's law and two, because of the medical evidence and knowledge he had accumulated about the danger of blood transfusions.

The man, Alvin Leonard Jehu, 28, letterpress machinist, has pleaded not guilty to a charge of manslaughter.

ALLEGATION

The Prosecution alleges that Jehu, a Jehovah's Witness, refused consent for an exchange blood transfusion for his son Stephen and so is culpable for the baby's death.

Jehu said that because of his faith, "I believe my child if it had a transfusion, would not have an opportunity of regeneration which all Christians look forward to."

The case is proceeding.—China Mail Special.

POP

By Gog

I THINK I'LL GIVE YOU A BELT IN THE BACK, SIR

ID JUST LIKE TO SEE YOU TRY!

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BONN BUNDLES START NEW COLD WAR

KHRUSHCHEV'S DEPORTED EX-GERMANS SAY: RED CROSS GIFT PARCELS TO US ARE AN INSULT TO RUSSIA

Moscow. THE Russians are angry with the West Germans again. This time it is because the Red Cross centre in Bonn persists in sending "bundles to Russia" for Soviet citizens of German origin.

The Communist authorities say the bundles are not sent in charity but as "provocative propaganda." And that, say the Russians, is cold-war behaviour of the worst kind.

Down in Tajikistan, where most of the Russian-Germans live — many were deported there at the start of the war from their traditional homes along the Volga — a campaign of denunciation has been launched.

The Tajikistan Communist Party newspaper says: "Of late the Red Cross in West Germany has been showing bustling activity."

'Hand-outs'

"Soviet citizens of German nationality living in Soviet Tajikistan have started to receive parcels labelled 'Help from the Fatherland.'"

"The Soviet citizens of German nationality — citizens of the Soviet State and full-fledged and equal members of the mighty multi-national family of Soviet peoples — are indignantly spurning the miserable hand-outs of the German gentry."

"They just view the doings of the West German Red Cross as an affront upon their dignity and honour and as one more filthy provocation."

The newspaper publishes a series of indignant letters from people with names like Herzog and Schoerer who complain: "As a rule most of the parcels contain egg powder and spoiled coffee."

"One wants to tell these unknown senders: 'Herrn benefactors, come to our collective farm and we shall treat you to top-rate honest-to-goodness coffee and an omelette of real fresh eggs, not powdered.'"



"Our Soviet working men don't need any sops from the master's table."

Underwear

Herr Schoerer fumes: "I consider the parcel sent to me and its contents — a set of underwear, a warm undershirt, a pair of socks, and a pair of shoes — an insult to the dignity of a Soviet citizen."

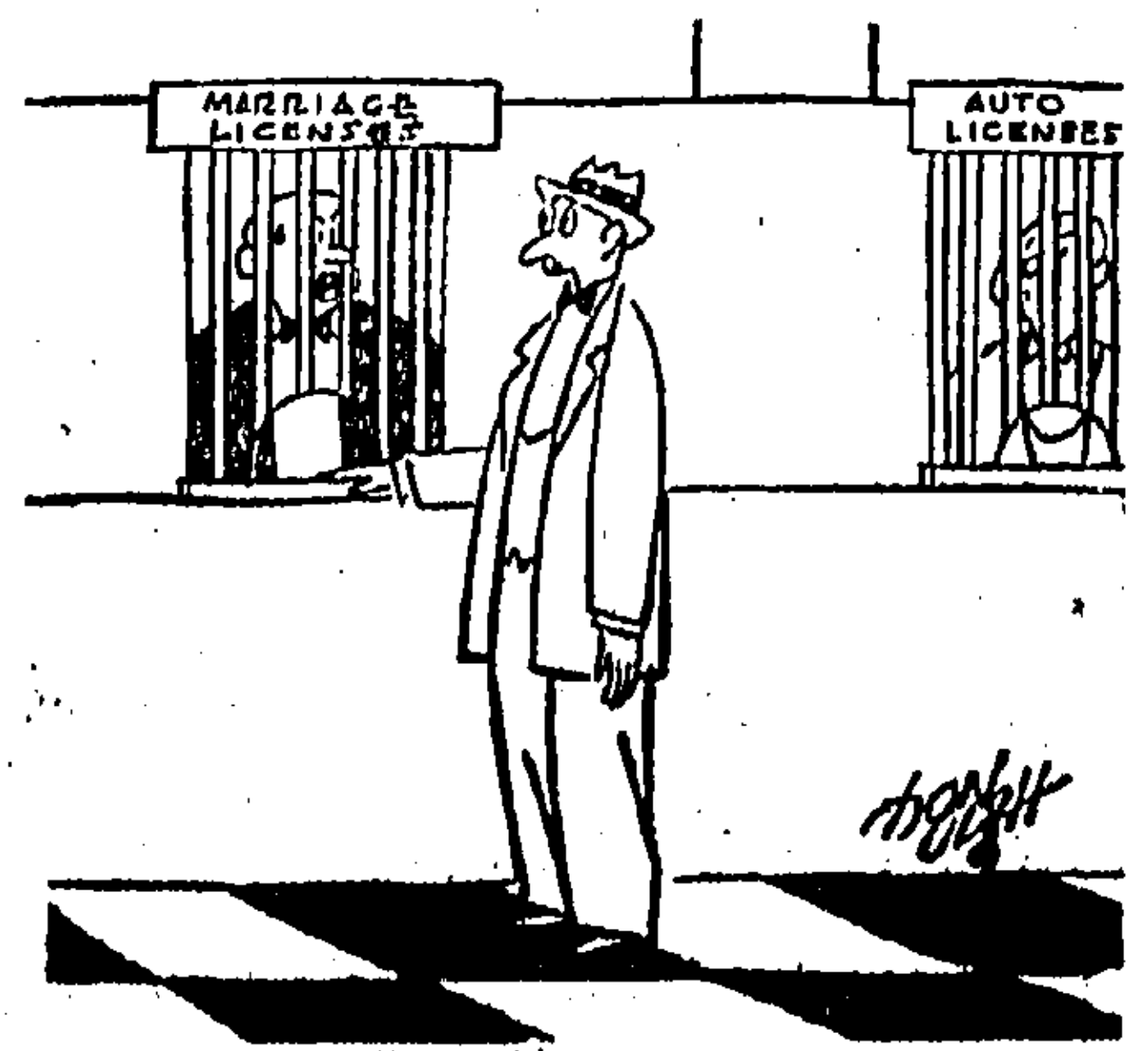
Collective farmer Waltz says that he received three parcels from Germany last year. "Each had egg powder, dehydrated milk, and a jar of honey inside. One had a shirt and a pair of braces."

He too was indignant about this "insult to the dignity of Soviet citizens."

(London Express Service).



"For heaven's sake, Martha, the man is waiting—do I or don't I like this suit?"



"I don't care if you are divorced, you get no refund here."

CUMMINGS—THE CARTOONIST WHO IS ALWAYS ON THE NEWS



The white man's burden and the black man's burden

London Express Service.

PART II OF A LOOK BENEATH THE SURFACE OF EUROPE'S MOST FASCINATING CITY

This other aristocracy of shrewd intelligence

VIVA IL PAPA! Long live the Pope! Pope John looked down from the window in fatherly fashion and gave his benediction.

The pilgrims went away happy, feeling life was of more meaning, because they had seen the man who wears the triple crown and is, so the faithful believe, the representative of God on earth.

This is the Rome of the faithful, the Rome of 1,000 churches, Rome the centre of international Catholicism, Rome of the kneeling multitudes, who save up with sacrifice to come to the sacred city.

This, the Rome of the Vatican, is another faith of the city built on the seven hills—the city that ruled the world.

It is not easy to understand what Rome of the Church means.

On the one hand, it is the centre of a faith—with all the administrative and educational institutions which are needed for a world organisation.

But on the other, this Church of Rome plays a preponderant part in the life of Italy. I sometimes feel that the Church owns Italy — and every time I come here I hear it is getting richer.

Spread

Its investments are vast. They are believed to be spread among public utilities — water, telephones, electricity, transport, flour mills, farms, newspapers and film companies.

The very able men of the Vatican administer this great patrimony with just as much skill as Charles Clore or the managers of the big banks and insurance companies in the City.

But what is more, apart from all this economic power, the Church has more or less run the Italian Government since the war.

The Christian Democrat Party, which has been continuously in power until the resignation of Signor Signorini last month is even more dependent on the Church than the Labour Party in England is on the Trades Unions.

The Church in Italy has turned the tables on the Liberals who under Garibaldi united this country in the last century and destroyed the temporal power of the Church which had lasted 1,000 years.

Under the Borgia Pope, Alexander VI, his son, the Duke of Valentino, carried the yellow and white standard of the Papacy through Italy, killing, plundering and conquering.

Brilliant

But then this celibate priest-hood thinks in terms of centuries — here in the Vatican the traditions of skill and subtlety are unmatched even by the dedicated officials of Moscow.

It is an aristocracy of faith and intelligence recruited not by inheritance but by choice.

I should say that the young Monsignor — the priests selected from all over the world to serve in the Vatican's ministries — are probably the most brilliant intellectual elite in the world today.

But, when it comes to the Heads of Congregations — the Cardinals who are the equivalent of Cabinet Ministers — the Italians have a virtual monopoly.

And, in a way, the Italians, who, charming as they are, are a connoisseur race, take a pleasure in the fact that fellow countrymen run the Church in Rome from Pope downwards.

It gives them an international power altogether disproportionate to their material and political strength.

Even Italians of the Left take a pleasure in this situation.

As a non-Roman Catholic it has always seemed to me extraordinary that the great bodies of Catholics — as for example in Canada, the United States or South America — have allowed leadership of their Church.

By his latest creations on March 3 the Pope has raised the number of cardinals to 85. The Italian total stands at 33.

Roncalli, Pope John, the successor to Piacelli, Pope Plus, is an old man who was appointed as a compromise.

But now that he holds the keys of St. Peter he has shown an independence of spirit which has shaken some of those who thought he could easily be dealt with.

Piacelli, of brilliant mind, avid of work, more or less ran the Church himself.

His three nephews, Carlo, Giulio and Marcantonio, were given great power and became rich men. It was strange to see a Renaissance nepotism flourishing in 20th-century Rome.

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In a book. Or in a newspaper, after the event.

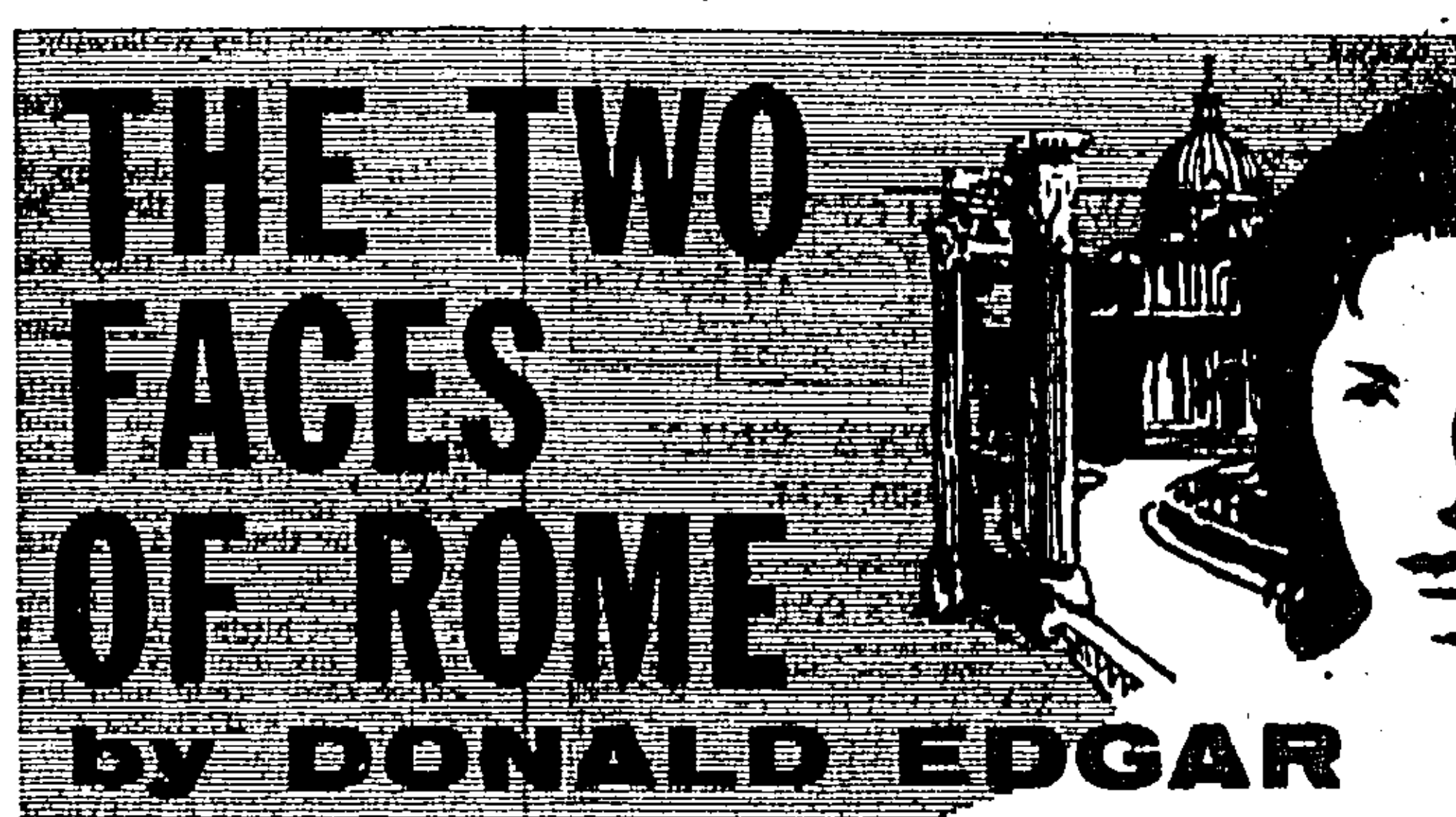
Do wet feet bring on a cold? Obviously, the tiny germs which invade the membranes in the nose and throat are not cultured in wet shoes. But doctors have thought for a long time that the feet do influence the nose—via the blood circulation.

Now a group of doctors claim to have proved it. They sat with their feet in cold baths. They measured changes in their circulation. They found that much less blood passed through the nose and tongue membranes immediately the feet touched cold water.

This show-up lasted three to five minutes. Then a violent counteraction in circulation began.

So they suggest that those with blood systems not in perfect order may be particularly liable to get a cold from wet shoes, because their circulation reacts less quickly.

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THE TWO FACES OF ROME

by DONALD EDGAR

Pope John has altered all this. He has not removed them. He has just taken away all their real power. And no member of his family has been appointed to any position.

The new Pope is doing everything he can to make the parish priest the pillar of the church. He has clipped the power of the Jesuits and the Dominicans, who were becoming in his opinion altogether too wealthy and too pervasive in influence.

Now, due to Pope John's intervention, a man in Orders in the diocese of Rome should not look at TV without permission, cannot go into a bar except in dire thirst, may not wear a beret, may not drive a car without permission—in fact the whole code of behaviour has been made more strict to separate the priest from the laity.

But delve a little beneath the surface, and the situation is sinister. Italy is in fact a sham democracy — heavily supported by America.

For I believe, the task the Church has set itself is to destroy Communism.

Not today, not tomorrow. Maybe not this century. But in the long run.

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Some good news for people who like to lie in the sun...

A SUN-TAN pill may be produced soon.

A number of manufacturers are looking into the idea of a tablet, which could prevent burning without impeding that golden glow. Many sun-bathers, they believe, dislike the feel of a protective oil on the skin.

The sun-tan fed is becoming almost a medical problem. More and more holidaymakers embark each year on an orgy of "getting brown," under fierce suns, with little heed to the pain and possible long-term effects. Sales of lamps for the winter, are going up.

A tan is psychologically good. But too much sun, or too much lamp, causes wrinkles and premature ageing of the skin. Look how much older Mediterranean women appear than their sisters from the North.

Ultra-violet rays do the damage. And remember, they can be just as potent when reflected. An umbrella on the sand is not enough.

For the unfortunate ones with sensitive skins, much is being done. Most lotions now contain a chemical "sun-screen," such as tannic acid, which filters out the ultra-violet light before it reaches the skin. And several new chemicals are being studied, including some used in paints to prevent deterioration by sunlight.

DON'T LOOK

They will not help a tan. But they may allow many, who are forced to seek the shade, to share that feeling of well-being enjoyed by the others.

Speaking at the sun-some 500 people in Britain, mostly children, have damaged their sight permanently by watching

PETER FAIRLEY talking to Dr GERALD EDWARDS

its last eclipse. Many of them used negatives or tinted glasses.

Doctors who treated them were startled at the apparent ignorance of parents and schoolmasters on the subject of looking at strong light.

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Bennie the Human Cannonball becomes a museum piece

By PETER WOON

THE name is Bernard Lynch — "Bennie" to his friends. Age: 41. Disposition: jovial. Girth: considerable. Nationality: Irish, and proud of it.

The other day his name and his feat were recorded at South Kensington's Science Museum as part of our short but achievement-packed aeronautical history.

Bennie the Human Cannonball, besides the stick-and-string pioneer planes of yesteryear and models of today's powerful jet-liners was placed the Lynch Seat.

Eight thousand feet over Oxfordshire, in the rear cockpit of a modified Gloster Meteor flying at 320 miles an hour, he shot himself into the empty sky.

He remembered: "The old man (that was Jimmy Martin, boss of the company, and ejection designer) said perhaps I would like to try out the seat. I had flown in but never actually piloted a plane. I took a special parachute course with the R.A.F. and then I went up."

"Scared?—what would you have been! But after the tests we had done with dummies I

thought I had a pretty good chance. As it was everything worked pretty well."

Since that July day 14 years ago, Bennie has made 35 more ejections.

Thanks to the fearlessness of Bernard Lynch and the genius of Jimmy Martin and the rest of his team 335 pilots of many nations are alive today.

At the museum was the first of the survivors, Joe Lancaster of Armstrong Whitworth. On May 30, 1949, he made the "maiden" emergency ejection from the tail-less AW52 research plane.

Lancaster's seat is in the museum too. So is the cockpit of a Meteor.

From them has developed the Martin-Baker tradition for "bringing them back alive" whatever the flying conditions.

SPEEDY Johnny Squire of English Electric came out at nearly twice the speed of sound.

HEIGHTY De Sails and Lowe of R.A.F. Bomber Command ejected at 50,000ft.

DEPTH? A Sea Venom pilot was just ejected from below the sea surface.

(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

JACOBY on BRIDGE

TODAY's hand is a problem for duplicate players. How would you go about making six no-trump after a favourable club lead? Of course, the defence has to help you a lot, but you want to give the defence every chance to go wrong.

Here is the why Roy Hines of Phoenix handled the problem. The jack of clubs captured East's ten at trick one and dummy's nine of clubs held the next trick. The lack of diamonds was allowed to hold trick three and the nine of diamonds trick four.

A heart lead to the queen and a return to his ten-knocked out West's ace of that suit and when West returned a club Roy was

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 7
You, South, hold:
♠ A 2 ♣ K 10 5 4 ♢ A Q 6 5 ♣ 3 2
What do you do?

A—Bid two hearts. You only have 17 points in high cards, but you also have a good suit and tremendous diamond support.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner rebids two no-trump. What do you do now?
Answer Tomorrow

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No one vulnerable			
North East South West			
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass			
1 ♠ Pass 2 N.T. Pass			
3 N.T. Pass Pass			
Opening lead—♠ 5			

ready for a swindle to make the rest of the tricks. He simply discarded the king and ten of diamonds on the two good clubs and hung on to the little seven spot.

Then he cashed his two last hearts and East was pseudo-squeezed. He could have un-guessed the queen of spades, but he wasn't that smart. He let both his high diamonds go and Roy made the important twelfth trick with the seven.

By ALINE MOSBY Bachelor Girl's Mission To Moscow

(How does an American girl working in Moscow solve her housing problems? How does she shop for food and clothes? What is her social life like? In three dispatches, Aline Mosby, the only permanent female American correspondent in the Soviet capital, describes life for a bachelor girl among the Bolsheviks. (See tomorrow and Thursday for Parts 2 and 3). Part I, tells where she lives).

Moscow.
I MUST be the world's only working girl who lives with teletypes next door to my bedroom and a friendly Russian policeman guarding my front door.

As the only permanent female American correspondent in Moscow, I help cover the Soviet capital for United Press International and, as a woman, also have the job of keeping house. News reporting in Moscow is one of the most exciting jobs a woman can hold today, but being a bachelor girl here is a daily adventure, too.

Most single correspondents live in hotels, so I was pleased to unpack my baggage in an apartment—even if the UPI bureau was in it. You just don't go apartment hunting in Moscow. There's no such thing as a want ad. Foreigners are handled as a separate community and apply to a government bureau, UPRK, for apartments as well as for dressmakers and fender fixers.

The UPI bureau and my adjoining apartment are in a six-story apartment house. I longingly look out the window at children playing in the snow and husbands hurrying home from work. I don't chat with them in the elevator. For our separate wing, we foreigners use the back door, which another tenant, a British embassy member, dryly refers to as "the garden entrance."

Embassy personnel from Holland, Israel and France also live in the building. Out in front in a little house stands an undisciplined policeman on duty 24 hours a day.

One of his jobs is to keep strangers out, which is fine by me. I never look my door. The policeman also helps me put the top down on my sports car. I feel a little foolish when the policeman salute me as if I were some important foreign government official.

Office space
Correspondents—the only foreigners in business here—except embassy officials—cannot get regular office space. They make offices out of half a large

NEW YORK
Cookery Tips
FAST MEAT BALLS
Whip up a Swedish meatball dinner in minutes with this recipe from "The New Cook-Book," by Poppy Cannon.
To 1 can of meat balls in spaghetti sauce, add ¼ teaspoon of ground allspice and ½ teaspoon of gravy seasoning. Simmer 5 or 6 minutes. Just before serving, stir in about 4 tablespoons of heavy cream. Serve with boiled potatoes, lingonberry or whole cranberry sauce and green beans.

SQUASH WITH BACON
Treat dinner guests to squash with bacon. Five pounds of squash will serve 8-10 persons. Wash squash and place, whole, on rack in large saucepan. Add boiling water to ½-inch depth. Cover and steam 1 hour or until tender. Remove from saucepan, cut away seeds and stringy portion. Mash until fluffy.
Season with 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, ¼ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon ground white pepper, 2 tablespoons light cream, 4 tablespoons granulated sugar and ¼ teaspoon ground allspice. Mix well and garnish with crumbled crisp bacon.

PICTURE BY JOHN ADRIAN

For you... the triangle
FROM the Paris collection, an immensely wearable dress and jacket by Claude Riviere.
"Easy" lines, a triangular shape and a lightly belted waist stamp it "1960."
The dress is bone-simple with small sleeves.
Copies are already on sale in London in the original "deep cream" tweed and other colours, price 45 guineas.

PICTURE BY JOHN ADRIAN

Household Hints
Bite-Size Croquettes
Bite-size turkey croquettes with a dash of curry make left-overs disappear like magic. Combine 2 cups finely minced cooked turkey with 2 slightly beaten eggs, ½ cup soft bread crumbs and ¼ cup minced pimiento. Season to taste with salt, pepper, and dashes of curry powder, and celery salt. Shape into small balls, brown in small amount of oil, and serve, 3 or 4 to a person, on cooked rice. Top with heated cream of chicken soup, slightly thinned with milk.

Quite a week!

THEY say the hand is quicker than the eye, but this week the hand could never catch up with the eye flashing from the stately St. John's Ambulance Ball, to the gay fancy dress Alliance Française dance, gazing in admiration at the lovely flowers at Government House, the exquisite dancers of the Royal Ballet at the Hong-kong Round Table film premiere, joining the gaiety of the many parties given for the visiting Canadian Navy, eyeing with admiration the staunchness of the "Wallabies" at the seven-a-side Rugby, enjoying the Rod Stephens' lecture at the Yacht Club.... it was quite a week!

Lovely sails delighted the eye when the many friends of Pakistan Trade Commissioner and Mrs. Rab entertained at the Repulse Bay Hotel in honour of their National Day.

Adding to the colourful scene were an attractive twosome, Sheila Schneemann in char-trouse ensemble and Paula Latham in apricot silk with matching stole.

Chatting with Mr. Fung Ping Fan was Betty Church, smart in black with a lovely white feathered stole.

Kate Chestnut in a brown silk print was overheard making plans for a reception to welcome Miss Joyce.

The Ear was filled with lovely sound at the Ellen Joyce concert. Prior to the concert the Charles Gomersalls gathered many of their friends and fellow music-lovers at a reception to welcome Miss Joyce.

Others seen by the eye enjoying the magnificent concert were the Derek Harrisons, Pauline Peltak and Gay Kelly with a party of friends.

Joining Noreen Smith and Jean Ames, smart in blue wool,



was Mrs. Catherine Walsh from Canada who is visiting her family the Mericks. An attractive trio helping with the arrangements were Joan Von Sydow, Joy Chiles and Ruth Forsyth-Smith.

The eye smiles to see John and Mary Lou Leckie return after a long but lovely leave in England, but saddens to see the departure of the Corrie-Hills, long an attractive addition to the young married set.

By JEANNE LESEM U.S. CANNING INDUSTRY CELEBRATES

THE French, they are a paradox. They derive pre-cooked "convenience" foods, yet a Frenchman invented commercial canning at his government's request.

This year, the American canning industry observes the 150th anniversary of this invention by pastry cook Nicolas Appert, who developed it to help feed Napoleon's travelling army. His award was 12,000 francs, about US\$2,160 at today's exchange rates.

Others have modernized Appert's method and created hundreds of new products, but his basic principle—boiling sealed containers of food—remains unchanged, says the National Canners Association, a self-policing

body for the American canning industry.

Appert's experiments included most of today's canned foods: meat, fowl and game, soup, milk, butter, cream, eggs, fish and seafood, fruit and vegetables.

His containers were corked wide-mouth jars. Tin canisters were invented later by a Briton, inspired by Appert's published work, the association said. The first American canneries were established around 1820, in Boston and New York.

The first hundred years were the hardest. At the turn of the century, only 50 canned foods were included in the association's first count. But by 1959, the total had passed 1,200 and showed no signs of stopping. Much of the

recent increase consists of vegetable, juice and fruit mixtures, and fancy prepared foods, including many main dishes.

As Napoleon could have forecast, our biggest canning boost came in wartime. Production during the Civil War increased 800 per cent. In World War II, consumption jumped from 35,000,000,000 cans in 1941 to 21 billion cans in 1946.

Aluminum can may augment present tin and glass supplies, but it won't alter two familiar shapes. Hard-to-open milk and sardine cans will remain, the association said; the milk can because it assures maximum product safety, and the sardine can because it's best suited to the shape and fragility of the fish.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Food For The General

—The Only Thing He'll Eat Is A Tin Can—

By MAX TRELL

"GENERAL TIN," said Knarf, the Shadow-Boy with the Turned-About Name, to his old friend, the Tin Soldier, "would you like a piece of chocolate?"

General Tin, who was standing by the Playroom door with his musket over his shoulder, replied:

"No, thank you."

"Knarf's surprised"

"Don't you like chocolate, General Tin?" asked Knarf in surprise.

"I don't know," said General Tin.

"You— you don't know whether you like chocolate or not?" Knarf asked, more surprised than ever.

"No," said General Tin. "I don't."

"But it's delicious!" exclaimed Knarf.

"I suppose so," said General Tin. "Many people say that. But I don't know. I've never tasted chocolate."

Never tasted it
"You've never tasted chocolate?" asked Knarf.

"Never," repeated General Tin. At that moment Knarf's sister Hand came into the room.

Knarf called her over.

"General Tin has never tasted chocolate in his whole life," Knarf said to Hand.

"That's right," agreed General Tin.

"Here, have a piece," Hand said. "I've got a whole bar. Have as much as you like."

Hand held out the bar of chocolate. But General Tin shook his head.

"Thank you," he kept saying. "Thank you very much. It's kind of both of you. No, I won't have any."

"Just taste it," said Hand. "Please, just taste it. I'm sure you'll like it if you'll only taste it."

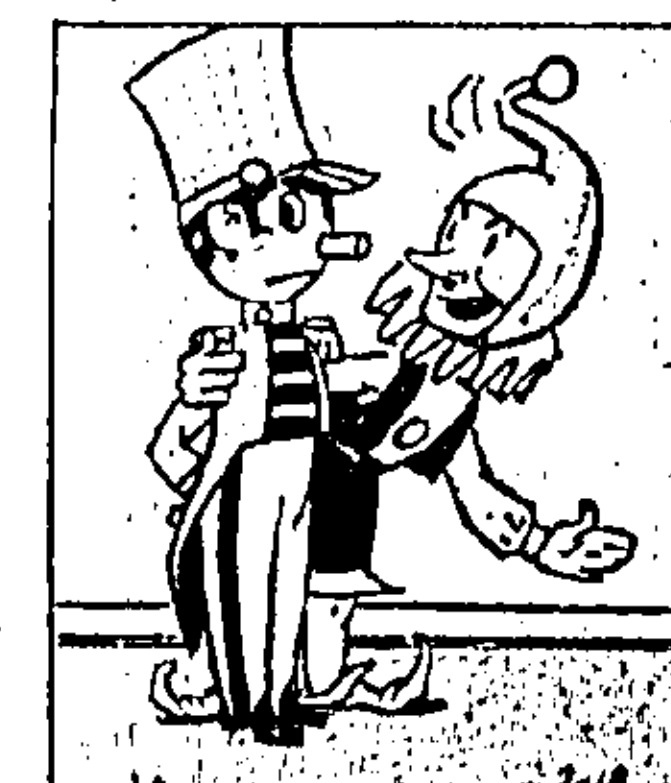
But General Tin thanked Hand again and said he was not going to taste it.

"I'd rather not," he said.

Gathered around him
By this time several more friends came into the room and gathered around General Tin.

"He doesn't like chocolate," Knarf said to Mr. Punch and his wife Judy and The Pelican and Whisk, the Hobby Horse, and Teddy, the Stuffed Bear and Hissawha, the Small-Sized Wooden Indian.

"Doesn't he?" they all asked. "He won't even taste it if we see if he likes it or not," Hand added.



"Why not have something else?" Mr. Punch asked General Tin.

Everybody stood and looked at General Tin. As for General Tin, he stood and looked at everybody.

"Now see here, old Man," said Mr. Punch, patting General Tin on the shoulder in the friendliest way. "If you don't like chocolate, why don't you have something else? How about a slice of bread and butter?"

"No, thank you," said General Tin.

"Maybe he isn't hungry," said Teddy.

"Are you hungry?" he asked General Tin.

"I am... just a little," replied General Tin.

Strange happening
When they heard that General Tin was hungry, even just a little bit, everybody offered him something to eat a sandwich, a roll, a hamburger, a frankfurter, a glass of milk, some oatmeal, a banana, a box of crackers, a scoop of ice cream.

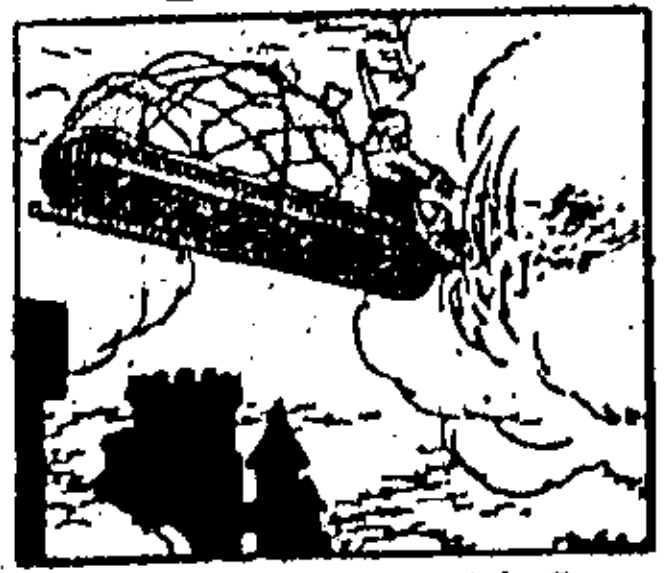
"No, thank you, no thank you," General Tin kept saying.

And then a strange thing happened. Picky-Poo, the Poodle, came into the room dragging along a broken old tin can. General Tin's eyes brightened.

"That's what I'll have!" he shouted.

And that's what he ate, taking a tiny, tiny nibble. It really shouldn't have surprised anyone that a Tin Soldier should nibble a bit of tin when he was hungry, but it did surprise everyone. Just the same.

Rupert and the Windies—40



The two pals hurry to join Santa Claus on the sleigh. "Where do you want us to fit in?" asks Rupert. "Get up on the top," says the old gentleman. "There are plenty of strong cords for you to hold on to. Come, be quick. We may just get down in time for



Christmas. But for you two there's been no presents this year. He cracks the whip and the reindeer dash away from the stable and into the clouds. "Oh look," cries Rupert. "There's the moon. It's suddenly night time! What's ever is happening?"

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Boss sues the boy he promoted

A Managing Director won an action against his employee at Central Court this morning for leaving his employment without giving him one month's notice.

Mr I. T. Morris, Magistrate, ordered S. C. Mok of 85 Queen's Road East, second floor, to pay \$120 compensation to Mr Wu Tse-wei, Managing Director of T. W. Wu and Co. Ltd. of Prince's Building.

dear sir

Corruption
Your editorial of March 26 on corruption will be widely endorsed. I do not think you meant to be exhaustive when you mentioned only the press and members of the Legislative Council as having pressed for positive action against corruption but I do not think it inappropriate at this stage, when the matter of corruption is receiving publicity, to point out that the Reform Club has, more than any other group, been persistently vocal in its denunciation of corruption. Whatever personal views your readers may entertain about this association, it must be admitted that the Reform Club has pursued this topic with tenacity and sincerity. The most articulate on the subject has been Mr Brook Bernatchi and it will come as a surprise to many that the new committee headed by the Attorney-General does not include Mr Bernatchi who has long advocated reforms in this field. Or is it, perhaps, that membership of the Reform or Civic groups is a bar to appointment by Government to committees outside the Urban Council? Fearless criticism of a constructive nature ought to be encouraged by Government.

Low wages

A Chinese labourer with a wife and five small children was earning \$15 a month. A court was told last week. What a pitiful existence that man and

his family must lead—for "existence" is all that it can be called.

This, unfortunately, is no isolated case. Many people are in similar straits. It is little wonder, therefore, that the streets are so full of beggars, and illicit dope running so rampant. For the extra money has to come from somewhere. In many cases, however, this sorry state of affairs could be solved by employers—particularly Chinese employers. I know of one Chinese export firm which employs four experienced and highly qualified clerks for up to 18 hours a day. They are paid \$200 a month, despite the fact that the one man business makes \$1,000 a day. Worse still, the profits are not ploughed back to provide work for others. Yet again, I heard recently of a group of Chinese people who financed a movement to save cats from destruction. While this may be a very worthy cause, it would be far better employed saving the lives of their own kith and kin.

The slang expression "I'm all right, Jack" seems to sum up the feelings of too many local Chinese for their less fortunate brothers. While this attitude continues we can hardly expect people in other countries to dip deep into their pockets for such things as World Refugee Year, when part of the problem could be solved on our own doorstep. Come on Hongkong! Where is your conscience?

P. W.

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NOTE: On Budget Floor, Hong Kong. Kayamally Bldg., 1st Floor, Special Sale of 500 PAIRS OF ODD SIZED SHOES from the Main Store.

DOCTOR'S WIFE LEAVES FOR EUROPE



Mrs Eberle, (above) wife of Dr. A. J. F. Eberle, left for Zurich this morning for Zurich. Mrs Eberle will join her daughter Charmian at Gstaad for the Easter holidays. Mrs Eberle will stay in Europe all Christmas and New Year and then they will both return to the Colony in July for the Summer.

Snatching: man in court

Chan Lin, 47, of 67 Oak Street, 2nd floor, appeared before Mr I. M. S. Donnell at Kowloon Court this morning on charge of snatching \$10,402 from a man named Au Nam yes. No plea was taken and the defendant was remanded four days.

A small fire broke out in the kitchen of Flat 2, Lishun Court, 12th floor, Haven Street, Causeway Bay, at 11.20 this morning. The Fire Brigade extinguished the blaze by 11.37 a.m. There were no casualties.



KABAYAO

Filipino violinist to play in HK

Gilopez Kabayao, brilliant young Filipino violinist will be presented by the Music Society on April 8 at the Loke Yew Hall at 9 p.m.

The accompanist will be Eric W. Smith who will be playing in his first public concert since arriving in Hongkong.

Booking for this concert opens on March 29 at China Engineers Ltd's show room at Alexandra House Arcade. Gilopez Kabayao who comes from a highly musical family of three generations, has scored an impressive series of musical triumphs in a relatively short career as a concert violinist. Recently, Gilopez Kabayao appeared as guest soloist with orchestra at the famous "Grosser Musikvereinssaal" in Vienna, performing on three consecutive evenings before a capacity audience. His success was outstanding and the critics of all Viennese newspapers were unanimous in their praise.

The concerts which this young virtuoso gave in Tokyo prior to his recital here in Hongkong established his reputation as a first-rank artist also in Japan.

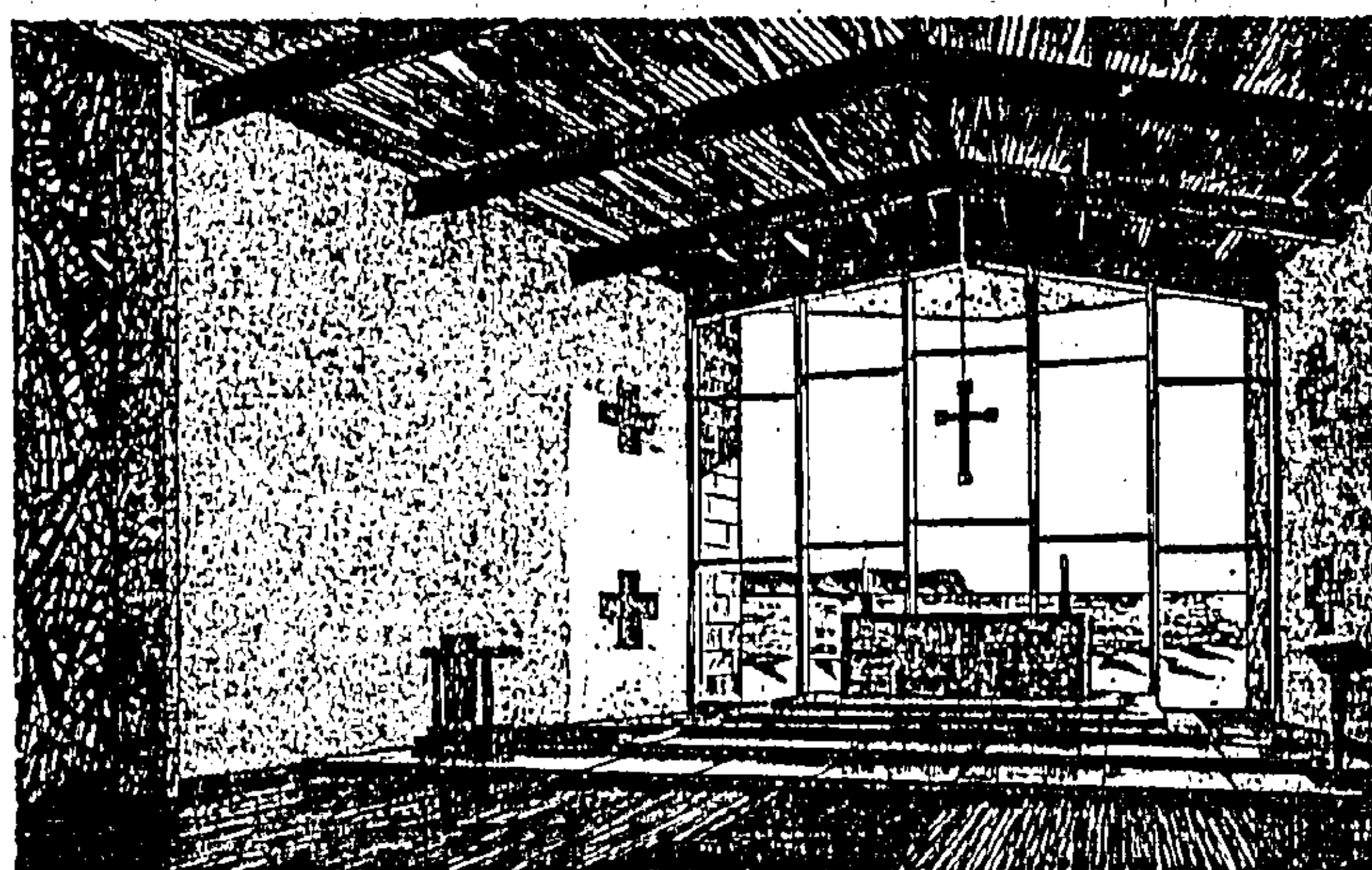
Tramways pay \$2.4m royalties

Hongkong Tramways Ltd paid Government \$2.4 million in royalties last year.

Corporation profit tax for the coming year will be \$1,040,000. Profit for the year was \$6,804,493, the company's balance sheet revealed.

At the annual general meeting this morning, a dividend of \$1.46 was declared. Mr H. D. M. Barton, Chairman of the Board, proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. This was seconded by Mr Wong Tingo and carried. Messrs G. P. Tse, M. W. Lo, H. D. Benham and Li Fook-shu were re-elected directors on a proposition by Mr Fok Yensang, seconded by Mr Tsang Hung-tin. Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors. This was proposed by Mr H. Sidbury and seconded by Mr Wong Tingo.

Hongkong granite for Australian church



The new naval chapel.

A piece of granite from St John's Cathedral is to be built into the altar of a new chapel in Sydney, Australia. The chapel belongs to the Royal Australian Navy shore base, HMAS Watson. The contribution from St John's Cathedral is one of many from Anglican and Protestant churches and churches all over the world. In the altar is also a piece of coral from Zanzibar Cathedral and a piece of grey marble

from Calcutta Cathedral. Other pieces come from Singapore Cathedral, the U.S. Naval Academy Chapel at Annapolis, and from a building near the Walling Wall in Jerusalem.

Protestant churches from all over Europe have also contributed pieces of stone work. The St John's Cathedral Chapel, the Rev. John Foster told the China Mail this morning the HMAS Watson

had asked for a contribution last October by letter.

"Much to our surprise a young man came to collect it two days later. Of course it was impossible to let him have it at such short notice."

"We took a piece of the original granite from one of the vestries—this is possibly more than 100 years old and after putting another piece back, we sent the granite slab down by a Butterfield and Swire ship."

Leading Swiss hotelier here on a sentimental journey

A veteran hotel owner returned to Hongkong after 30 years yesterday as part of a "sentimental journey".

He is Swiss born, Mr Jack Gauer who in 1931 was the Maitre d'Hotel of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels.

A year later he was the Assistant Manager of the Wagon Lili Hotel in Peking.

Nostalgic

When he arrived yesterday by Swissair he had a warm reunion with one of his oldest friends and well-known Hongkong identity, Mr Leo Gaddi, General Manager of the Peninsula Hotel.

Exemption of Mongkok building sought

Mrs Lai Lau Kwan Yin and Mr Cheng Chung Fan were co-applicants this morning for exemption of 197 and 199 Tsim Choi Street, Mongkok, at the Tenancy Tribunal.

It was stated in court that the co-applicants had between them \$150,000 in the bank, but that Mrs Lai's husband owned considerable property and was willing to mortgage some of it, if necessary, to meet costs of a proposed new building and pay compensation to existing tenants.

The co-applicants, who are represented by Mr Philip Remedios of Philip Remedios and Co., propose to build a new block containing more than double the floor space of the existing 30-year-old houses and to cost \$140,000. It would be completed in about a year.

There are 22 opponents and all but six have agreed on a settlement with the applicants. Opponents are represented by Mr Peter C. Wong and Mr J. M. D'Almeida Remedios, of D'Almeida Remedios and Co. President of the Tribunal is Mr Lim Chee Quan, with Mr George Ross and Mr Chen Lim-chon. Hearing of the application continues.



JACK GAUER

He nostalgically recalled that Mr Gaddi was the Assistant Chief of the Peninsula Hotel when he worked here last.

Mr Gauer has owned the Schweizerhof Hotel, which is one of the leading hotels in Switzerland, for the last 20 years.

Feature of the dazzling hotel is the exotic Chinese room where some of Europe's leading politicians, statesmen and sportsmen have dined.

His secrets

Mr Gauer revealed that the leader of the Swiss secret service during the World War II, Brig. General Masson dined in the Chinese room at every possible opportunity. "He once told me that only when he wrote his memoirs would it be known how many world determining decisions and discussions were made in the room," Mr Gauer told a press conference today.

Mr Gauer, who is an expert on tourist travel and first class hotels, predicted today that soon tourist trade would be the world's leading industry.

Careful

"With this trend in mind, hotel owners and tourist heads have to be very careful," he warned.

"By this I mean that they should be wary not to make tourist travel and tourism in general like a mass produced product. A tourist must be treated as an individual. Someone who

journey

has to be singularly treated. "If this disappears tourism can become extremely cold and unexciting," he added.

Mr Gauer said that he was "slightly critical" of the American concept of tourism. "Everytime I visit America I learn something new in the organization of hotels and tourism," he said.

"But too many hotels lack individuality or character."

Advice

"Go from one resort to another and you will find that the hotels, although lavish in different ways and degrees, are basically the same," he said.

He advised that Hongkong hotels should concentrate on what he described as "face". "Something that stamps it different to Swiss, American or even other Hongkong hotels."

"Once this is provided there is no telling how fast this colony will attract droves of tourists." But Mr Gauer is not in Hongkong to promote tourism or interest in his homeland.

"I'm just here because I was homesick, like a sentimental journey you know."

INDIA PLANS TO SELL MACHINERY TO COLONY

India will soon supply Hongkong with up-to-date machinery, an Indian Trade delegation predicted today.

The delegation who have been on a world tour for the Indian Engineering Export Promotion Council added that Hongkong would be an excellent market for their machinery.

The party consisting of three men who have been in Hongkong for three days left Kai Tak Airport this morning by Air India.

They were Messrs M. L. Atta, K. Chowdhury, R. D. Vidarshi, who over the past weeks have visited 10 countries including the U.S.A. and Canada.

Delegation leader, Mr Chowdhury said that in all the countries the delegation visited

India appeared certain to prosper from big trade exchanges. He added with a smile: "You have often heard about selling refrigerators to the Eskimos but we finally negotiated the sale of sewing machines to the United States."

"Our trip could not have been more successful because everywhere we went we had assurance of big trade increases, both in imports and exports."

Mr Chowdhury did not reveal what kind of machinery India would sell to Hongkong.

From the Files

25 years AGO

March, 1935

"THE local Government has in hand a larger programme of building and engineering development than perhaps ever before in the history of the Colony. In spite of a falling revenue this has been rendered possible by the satisfactory state of its surplus balances, and it is a matter for congratulation that we have been able in this way to assist trade and employment during the present period of depression," he said.

The above remark was made in the course of the speech given at the annual dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong last night by H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, Hon President, in replying to the toast of His Excellency's health.

Mr S. T. Williamson, President of the Institution, in reviewing the activities of the past year said that conditions generally were on the quiet side, but he was glad to state that there were indications that general improvement could be expected.

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From the SCM Post's 25 Years Ago column:

"The Daily Colonist of a recent date states that among the saloon passengers of the Weir liner Suveric, which arrived at Victoria, British Columbia, were J. Elmg, Hongkong's official hangman, and wife."

Elmg, hanged four white men, and two Chinese during his term of office, getting but \$12.50 for each man swung into eternity.

His baggage included the rope used in his last execution. His last victim was an American, hanged for the murder of a woman from Manila, whose body he hid in a trunk and placed on board the steamer Montague.

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THE Rev. Christopher Birdwell Roussel Sargent, Headmaster of Diocesan Boys' School, will be ordained priest by the Bishop of Hongkong in the school chapel on Monday at 7.30 a.m.

Among those present will be a number of clergy and Miss H. D. Sawyer, Headmistress of the DGS, Mrs Luard, Mrs Nash, members of the staff and also the school prefects and members of the Matriculation class.

The Rev. Mr Sargent is well known for his talks over the radio on classical music, and also in the field of sport. He is a cricketer and has played for both the Hongkong Cricket Club as well as the KCC.

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